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THE CHILDREN'S MISS LENROOT—

One of the greatest thrills that have come to me in my visit to Washington was in meeting Miss Katharine F. Lenroot, Chief of Children's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor. No doubt this privilege came to me because I was from Wisconsin, her native State.



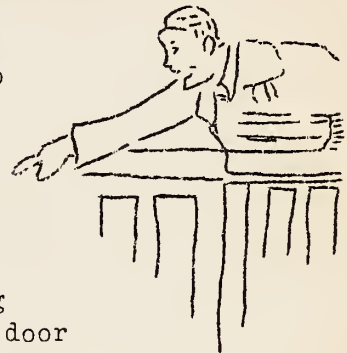
The inspiration and enthusiasm I have received were increased because she was our guest speaker at one of our very interesting morning gatherings. Our meeting came as a surprise to me for I had not been informed that I would meet so prominent a native Badger. Her attractive and pleasing personality put me at ease immediately, for I quickly felt her warm friendship and love for one from her home State. I am not surprised that such a pleasing personality would be selected for so important a position as she now holds. I am sure that the entire Club delegation was inspired by her address, but of course, it meant more to me because of this pleasant meeting than it possibly could to the other members. I know I shall always be interested in her work, and in the future whenever I see anything about Miss Lenroot I shall have a much greater interest in it.

Elda Strahan

Wisconsin.

THE SUPREME COURT

After reading this sign in front, "Please keep roller skates away from marble", some of the boys and girls were overheard to remark that they would like to have some skates there to see what harm the marble would do to them. One girl in the group was determined to climb into the lap of one of the statues in front of the Supreme Court Building and have her picture taken, but there was not a ladder available.



After we had entered the Supreme Court Building through an obscure side entrance we went to the front door and found a sign stating that the building was closed.

A couple of small groups had their pictures taken in front of the Supreme Court Building for the "press", while they were busy collecting autographs.

Nearly the entire building is constructed of white marble giving it a very attractive appearance. Many were heard commenting on the beautiful architecture and landscaping about it.

As we were leaving, some difficulty was encountered in preventing some of the group from refreshing themselves in the fountain.

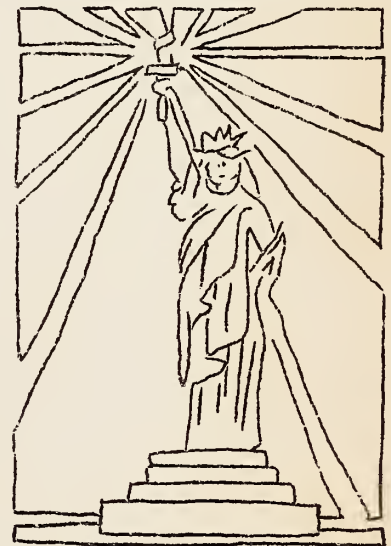
Sidney Howard - Michigan.
Supreme Court Building

The 4-H delegates were greatly enthused when they visited the Supreme Court Building of the United States.

We were divided up into groups, each group being conducted by an official who gave us information on the building.

The inside is nearly all constructed of marble. The things that greatly appealed to me were the winding stairways and the numerous columns.

The library in the top of the building is very elaborate. This is not a public library. It is personally used by the Supreme Court Justices.



Another thing which appealed to me was the chairs which are occupied by the nine Justices.

This building cost approximately nine or ten million dollars.

Honna Ramsdell
Maine.

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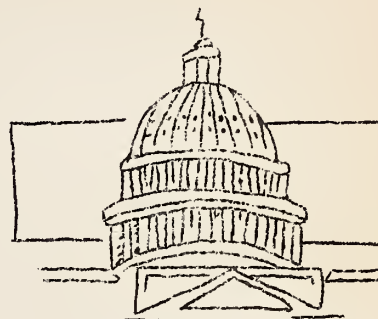
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Our Capital

After leaving the Folger Shakespeare Library, we went by bus to the front of the Capitol. It covers three and one-half acres and is over eight hundred and fifty feet long. We went up the front steps of the portico where the Presidents take the oath of office. Members paid the guides and were divided into groups of about 25. We then started on a mad rush trying to do several days' sightseeing in two short hours.



Our group was taken to the old part of the Capitol. Construction was started on it in 1793 by George Washington. The sandstone used in the walls and pillars was from his old home at Mount Vernon. On our way to the chamber containing busts of the Presidents and Vice Presidents we passed the old Senate and Supreme Court chamber, which were abandoned after the construction of the new wings and the new Supreme Court Building.

One of the most interesting things was the paintings of important events in history. The latest represents the development of aviation. Another recent work was the Memorial to the Pioneers of Woman Suffrage.

We saw Washington's former tomb and Statuary Hall, where each State is allowed to place the statues of two men. The most impressive work of art was in the dome; it shows Washington signing the Declaration of Independence with Liberty and Justice beside him.

While at the Capitol we had a chance to see the Senate and the House of Representatives in action. Club members were allowed to call on their Congressmen, and Ramsey from Tennessee had to walk to camp after conferring with his. All club members at both Houses, agreed that a tent inspection would be in order. We left the Capitol feeling that we would like to spend more time there.

C. L. Broy Jr.
Missouri.

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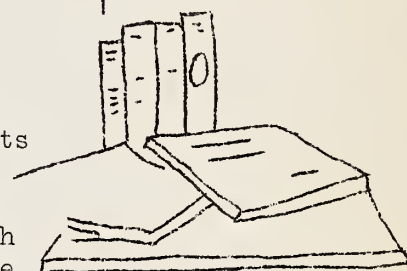
The nurse reports very few blisters this year. Evidently club boys and girls have learned to buy comfortable shoes - A bit of humor, Mr. Potter, tour leader, has a grand little blister as a memo.

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Many former delegates from nearby States have come to visit the 10th National Camp.

164.74 MILES OF BOOKS

On June 19 the members of the Tenth National 4-H Club Camp had the privilege of visiting the world's largest and most beautiful library. The Congressional Library is located diagonally across from the Nation's Capitol. In order to reach the entrance to the library, one must climb three flights of stairs. The first room is very large. After leaving this room, one passes to the second landing from which may be seen the large reading room. High above this great chamber is the dome and upon it are pictures and lettering which represent literary works and their authors. Throughout the building are rooms devoted to certain phases of work. Some are: Lincoln's works, a picture of the original Constitution, the real Constitution, the Old Gutenberg Bible, documents of foreign countries, and numerous other foreign and American writings.



AND
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BOOKS

It is interesting to know that the building was erected in 1897; it has 666,190 square feet of floor, 164.74 miles of steel shelving, and its total cost to date (1935) is \$9,351,560. It has 40 separate rooms and 125 study tables, and it contains 5½ million volumes of books including all phases of knowledge. This building is open to all for reading purposes but especially for our governing bodies.

Jack Harrison - Louisiana.

ROMEO AND JULIET

One of the points of interest Saturday was the Folger Shakespeare Library.

The theater in the main part of the building was modeled after the Fortune Theater of the Elizabethan age, with the exception of the yard in front and the open sky and stage extending half way into the yard.



Here is the largest single collection of Shakespearean folios in the world - 79 out of the 250 in existence. The value of the oldest is \$96,000.

In the reading library, the window in one end represented the seven ages of man.

There is a very valuable collection of jewels here. The founders, Mr. and Mrs. Folger, were cremated and were buried at the east end of the reading library. Their pictures by Salesbury are hanging here. Everyone was impressed by the unusual construction and beauty of this building.

Querry Gasterman - Nebraska.

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